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RESOLUTION GRANTING THE HONORABLE CITY MAYOR MARIA SHEILAH "HONEY" H. LACUNA-PANGAN, MD, FPDS, REPRESENTING THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF MANILA, AUTHORITY TO SIGN ALL APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS FROM THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS (COMELEC) FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE CRITICAL PROJECTS OF THE CITY OF MANILA THAT WILL BE AFFECTED BY THE 2025 NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS

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WHEREAS, on September 13, 2024, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) promulgated Resolution No. 11060, which provided for the Rules and Regulations on the Prohibition against the Release, Disbursement, or Expenditure of Public Funds for Social Services and Housing-Related Projects and Issuance of Treasury Warrants and Similar Devices under Section 261 (v) and (w) of the Omnibus Election Code in connection with the May 12, 2025, National and Local Elections, and Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) Parliamentary Elections;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of the same COMELEC Resolution states:

“SECTION 2. Social Welfare and Services Projects; Prohibition, Exemption and Period of Prohibition. - From March 28, 2025 (Friday) to May 11, 2025 (Sunday), the release, disbursement, or expenditure of public funds for social welfare and services projects is prohibited, except as authorized by the COMELEC”;

WHEREAS, Section 4 of the same COMELEC Resolution states:

“SECTION 4. Housing-Related Projects; Prohibition, Exemption and Period of Prohibition. - From March 28, 2025 (Friday) to May 11, 2025 (Sunday), the release, disbursement, or expenditure of public funds for housing-related projects is prohibited, except as authorized by the COMELEC”;

WHEREAS, among the social services of the City of Manila, such as but not limited to the following projects, that are critical to the well-being of the elderly population in the city, as it provides essential financial assistance for their medical needs and daily concerns:

Persons with Disability (PWD) Monetary Allowance	Manila City Ordinance No. 8565
Solo Parents Monetary Allowance	Manila City Ordinance No. 8565
Senior Citizens Monetary Allowance	Manila City Ordinance No. 8565, as amended by Manila City Ordinance No. 9081
Birthday Gift (Birthday Cake) for Senior Citizens	Manila City Ordinance No. 8570
Centenarian Cash Gift	Manila City Ordinance No. 8483
Crisis Interventions Service (Medical/Financial/Transportation/Burial Assistance)	Manila City Ordinance No. 9019
Educational Assistance Program (EA)	
City Amelioration Crisis Assistance Fund	
Capital Assistance Program (CAP)	
Allowances for College Students of the Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila, including Grade 12 Students	
Allowances for College Students of the Universidad de Manila, including Grade 12 Students	
City Amelioration Crisis Assistance Fund	
Kalinga	
Graduation Gift for Graduates of the Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila (PLM) and the Universidad de Manila (UDM)	Manila City Ordinance No. 9068

WHEREAS, among the above-mentioned social services projects, such as but not limited to the following employment projects of the City of Manila, which is vital in providing meaningful livelihood opportunities for residents and addressing the pressing economic needs of many individuals and families in the City of Manila:

- 1. Special Program for the Employment of Students (SPES);
- 2. Government Internship Program (GIP);
- 3. (Kalinga SA MAnileño) KASAMA Program.

WHEREAS, among the infrastructure and housing-related programs of the City of Manila, such as but not limited to the following projects, which are critical to the promotion of general welfare of the residents of the City of Manila:

Construction of San Sebastian Residences	Manila City Ordinance No. 8702
Construction of Pedro Gil Residences	Manila City Ordinance No. 8702
Land-for-the-Landless Program	
Upgrading, Concreting and Drainage Improvements of Lagusnilad Underpass	Manila City Ordinance No. 8919
A.J. Villegas Vocational High School General Rehabilitation of School Buildings	CSB Res. 865 – FY 2024
Retrofitting of School Facilities at Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila	
Construction of New Pritil Market (Phase I)	
Repair/Renovation of Manila Kids Home at Manila Boystown Complex	
Completion of Ten (10) – Storey Kalinga sa Maynila Center	

WHEREAS, Section 11 of the same COMELEC Resolution, provides for the procedure for the request for exemption of social welfare and services projects and housing-related projects from the prohibition on the release, disbursement or expenditure of public funds;

WHEREAS, Section 11 of the same COMELEC Resolution states that for local chief executives, authorization from the Sanggunian must be included and attached to the request for exemption;

WHEREAS, Section 22(c) of Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the “Local Government Code of 1991”, empowers the local chief executive to enter into contracts on behalf of the local government unit upon prior authorization by the Sanggunian concerned: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to grant, as it hereby grants the Honorable City Mayor Maria Sheilah "Honey" H. Lacuna-Pangan, MD, FPDS, representing the City Government of Manila, authority to sign all applications for exemptions from the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) for the continuation of the critical projects of the City of Manila that will be affected by the 2025 national and local elections; and be it FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Annex A (Request for Exemption for Social Welfare and Services Projects: 12 May 2025 National and Local Elections and BARMM Parliamentary Elections) shall be made integral part of this Resolution.

PRESIDED BY:



TERRENCE F. ALIBARBAR
Acting Presiding Officer
City Council, Manila

This Resolution was adopted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session on February 11, 2025.

ATTESTED:



LUCH R. GEMPIS, JR.
City Government Department Head III
(Secretary to the City Council)

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